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Oliver A. Dussault, d
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Edgar Roy, d

Berlin — Ward 2

Arthur J. Russell, r
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Berlin — Ward 3

Hilda C. F. Brungot, r
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Berlin — Ward 4

Arthur A. Bouchard, d
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Carroll

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Not entitled

Colebrook

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Columbia

Not entitled

Dalton

Not entitled

Dummer

Not entitled

Errol

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Millsfield

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Northumberland

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Pittsburg

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Not entitled

Shelburne

Not entitled

Stark

Grace M. Phelan, r

Stewartstown

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Stratford

Bert Stinson, d

Wentworth's Location

Not entitled

Whitefield

Ada C. Taylor, r and d

Coos County Delegation

The Coos County Finance Committee held its Third Quarterly Meeting at the County Farm at West Stewartstown on October 25, 1955.

Chairman Brungot opened the meeting at 10:00 A.M. and Clerk Bouchard called the roll. All members were present except Mr. Annis of Millsfield.

Discussion of finances followed and questions were asked in regard to the need of an extra loan. This was laid over until the next meeting..

Then the problem of water shortage was taken up. The Commissioners were having an estimate made by engineers from the Bay State Artesian Well Company and other concerns. The problem will again be considered at future meetings and placed before the regular Delegation Meeting.

Other problems were considered and placed on file.

Meeting adjourned by motion from Mr. Dussault, seconded by Mrs. Stinson, and accepted.

Arthur Bouchard, Clerk.

The Coos County Finance Committee held its Quarterly Meeting at the County Farm in West Stewartstown August 16, 1955.

Chairman Brungot opened the meeting at 10:00 A.M. Clerk Bouchard called the roll. Only two members were absent, Mr. Annis of Millsfield and Mr. Harry Alls of Colebrook.

County Commissioners Hicks and Potter were present. Commissioner Roy was absent.

A general discussion of finances was held and a question and answer period followed.

The meeting was adjourned on motion made by Mr. Dussault and seconded by Mr. Fortier, and accepted.

Arthur Bouchard, Clerk.

After the meeting an inspection of the Laundry Equipment and X-Ray Machine was made.

Tuesday, June 28, 1955, at 2 o'clock P.M.

Coos County Finance Committee met in Room 307, State House, Concord, N.H. Majority of members present. Arthur Bouchard, Clerk, being absent. Chairman Brungot asked Rep. Harry Alls of Colebrook to act as clerk pro tem.

Chairman Brungot read a letter from County Commissioners and County Treasurer asking for granting a loan of \$100,000 in anticipation of taxes for county expenses. After explanation Dussault of Berlin made motion to permit loan and Alls of Colebrook seconded the motion. Unanimously voted by the Committee.

Annis of Millsfield made motion to adjourn and so voted.

Harry Alls, Clerk pro tem.

Hilda Brungot, Chairman.

A meeting of the Coos County Finance Committee was held at the Coos County Farm at West Stewartstown with members, Brungot, Cornelius, Ferguson, Stinson, Fortier, Bouchard and Dussault present—only member absent was Elmer Annis of Millsfield.

County finances for the first quarter were discussed and the matron and superintendent were called in and explained the increase in the pay roll at the county farm. Other financial questions discussed and the committee was assured of the new X-Ray machine being contracted for.

Meeting was adjourned on motion of Mr. Dussault, seconded by Mr. Ferguson.

Arthur Bouchard, Clerk.

Coos County Delegation met in Room 306, State House, Concord, N.H., at 9:30 A.M.

Chairman Brungot opened meeting and clerk called the roll. The following members were present: Dussault, Roy, Sheridan, Fortier, Brungot, Christianson, Bouchard, Fontaine, Gagnon, Alls, Hurlbert, Ross, Ferguson, Cornelius, Bushey, Charbonneau, Phelan, Baker—18 in all. Quorum being present.

Fortier of Berlin called for House Bill No. 502.—a bill to increase salary for sheriff for Coos County. Fortier of Berlin made motion to take H.B. 502 off the table. Fontaine seconded,

motion carried. Fortier made motion H.B. 502 ought to pass—seconded by Gagnon. Discussion. Motion made to amend H.B. 502, paragraph 2, by striking out the word and figures January 1, 1955 and inserting the word and figures, January 1, 1956, so as to read: This act shall take effect January 1, 1956. Motion carried by 12 votes in favor, 3 against. Fortier made motion that the bill as amended ought to pass. Gagnon seconded. Motion carried by vote of 11 to 5.

Bouchard of Berlin brought up question of another amendment. Fortier then made motion to reconsider the bill and put bill back on second reading, seconded by Sheridan. Discussion. This motion was carried by a vote of 11 to 5. Bouchard then made a motion for the following amendment to raise the salary of Coos County Treasurer to \$500.00. This was seconded by Fortier:

Amend the title of said bill by striking out the same and inserting in place thereof the following:

An Act relative to the salaries of the sheriff and treasurer of the County of Coos.

Amend said bill by inserting after Section 1 the following new section:

2. Coos County Treasurer. Amend Section 13, Chapter 48, Revised Laws, as amended by Chapter 66, Laws of 1945, Chapter 257, Laws of 1947, Chapter 179, Laws of 1953 (Section 14, Chapter 29 RSA) by striking out the word "four" in the thirteenth line and inserting in place thereof the word, five, so that said section as amended shall read as follows: 13. Salaries. The annual salaries of the treasurers of the several counties to be in full for their services and allowances of every kind, except as hereinafter provided, shall be as follows:

In Rockingham, eight hundred dollars.

In Strafford, four hundred dollars.

In Belknap, three hundred dollars.

In Carroll, five hundred dollars.

In Merrimack, six hundred dollars.

In Hillsborough, twelve hundred dollars.

In Cheshire, four hundred dollars.

In Sullivan, four hundred dollars.

In Grafton, five hundred dollars.

In Coos, five hundred dollars.

To the foregoing sums shall be added a reasonable sum for all necessary expenses upon order of the county commissioners.

Further amend said bill by renumbering Section 2 to read Section 3.

Discussion and Sheridan asked for a roll call. The following votes yes: Dussault, Fortier, Roy, Sheridan, Christianson, Bouchard, Gagnon, Ross, Bushey, Charbonneau, Phelan. 11 votes. The following were opposed: Alls, Hurlbert, Ferguson, Cornelius, Baker, Fontaine passed. 5 voted against. Motion carried.

Fortier made motion that H.B. 502 pass as amended. Bouchard seconded and motion carried by a vote of 11 to 5.

Senate Bill No. 74, legalizing a meeting of the Coos County Convention, was called for, to be taken from the table. Mr. Ferguson made motion inexpedient to legislate. Seconded by Baker and vote was unanimously carried.

Christianson made motion to adjourn, seconded by Fortier, and carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Arthur Bouchard, Clerk.

The Coos County Delegation met April 26, 1955 in Room 317 of the State House, Concord, N.H. at 4:00 P.M. Chairman Brungot opened the meeting. Several visitors from the County Farm and Colebrook were present. Chairman asked the Delegation to allow them an open meeting first, so as to let them explain their errand.

Visitors present were: Senator O'Brien, Lancaster, Dr. W. A. Gifford, and Dr. Marjorie Parsons from Colebrook, and Mrs. Elmira Whitcomb, Matron from the County Farm. Chairman called on Dr. Gifford to speak first. Dr. Gifford told of the conditions of the X-ray machine at the County Hospital and the need of new equipment. He explained that a new machine, large enough for the hospital's present needs would cost \$6800.00, but they could get a return of \$2300.00 for the old one, so that a new machine would cost the County \$4500.00 fully installed. Dr. Parsons also spoke about the need of a new X-ray machine. Mrs. Whitcomb and Senator O'Brien both went on record in favor of a new X-ray machine for the hospital.

Visitors were then excused, and Chairman Brungot called for an Executive Session. Chairman Brungot asked County Commissioners Potter and Hicks to please remain for the Delegation meeting. This met with the approval of the delegation.

Clerk Bouchard of Berlin being absent, Chairman Brungot asked Mrs. Rebecca Gagnon of Berlin to act as Clerk for the meeting. This was accepted, and Clerk Gagnon called the roll. Members absent were Bouchard of Berlin, Converse of Pittsburg, Simonds of Lancaster, and one delegate to the County Convention, Elizabeth Hurlbert of Clarksville. All others were present—24 representatives and 5 delegates to the County Convention, total 29.

Chairman Brungot then asked the Vice-Chairman, Mr. Cornelius of Lancaster to take over the chairmanship for the rest of the meeting. Mr. Cornelius consented only on the condition that he use his vote on all pending motions, or other questions. This was accepted by the delegation.

Bishop of Gorham called for Senate Bill No. 67, an Act to Legalize County Delegation Meeting of March 26. Motion made by Fortier of Berlin, seconded by Ferguson of Jefferson that Senate Bill No. 67 be reported inexpedient to legislate. Discussion followed as to whether this motion was in order at the present time. Chairman Cornelius asked for a recess in order to get information from the Attorney General. Later meeting again called to order by Chairman Cornelius. Fortier of Berlin then withdrew his previous motion in regard to Senate Bill No. 67, reason explained that this meeting was only called to consider the Budget, that no other bills were advertised for the hearing, or could be considered at this time.

Ross of Gorham made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Charbonneau of Groveton. This motion was defeated by a vote of 5 in favor and 17 against.

Chairman Cornelius then asked the delegation to please come to order.

Reconsideration of matters discussed at the County Delegation Meeting at the County Farm March 23, 1955 was then called for and reconsideration accepted.

Fortier of Berlin then made a motion to reconsider raising the Sheriff's salary. Rines of Carroll seconded this motion. Discussion followed, with the following explanation that as House Bill No. 502, an Act Relative to the Salary for the

Sheriff of Coos County was not advertised for this meeting, it could not be taken up at the present time, but it would be advertised and considered at a future meeting. Motion was then withdrawn and the question tabled.

Attorney General's letter was then read to the Delegation in regard to the voting rights of the Delegations to the County Convention. This showed that the vote taken at the County Farm at the March 26 meeting was not legal. Consequently, the motion to indefinitely postpone at that time was out of order.

Attorney General's letter follows:

"Dear Representative Brungot,

"You have inquired relative to action which was attempted to be taken at a meeting of the Coos County Convention.

"The salaries of Sheriff of the several counties are fixed by statute and not by action of a County Convention. See Revised Laws, Chapter 380, as amended by the laws of 1953 Chapter 235. Before the Legislature by statute has changed the salary of a sheriff, any motion in a County Convention to 'increase the salary of the sheriff' even if adopted would be no more than an expression of intent and would not be binding insofar as the salary of said officer is concerned.

"Since the motion which was made was beyond the authority of the Convention to adopt, legalization of the meeting at which such action was taken would not affect these results.

"However, nothing which has been previously done by the Convention would prohibit the delegation from considering a bill relative to increasing such salary provided the bill is referred to the 'Special Committee of the House consisting of the members of the Coos County Delegation'. In such a case, the Delegation would hold a hearing on the bill just as other hearings are held.

"Non representative members of the Convention would be present at the Public Hearing, but would have no vote on whether the bill should be reported to the Legislature favorable or otherwise.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Louis C. Wyman
Attorney General"

Fortier of Berlin called for reconsideration of the motion regarding increase appropriation for the Coos County Extension Service. Rines of Carroll seconded this motion. Reconsideration prevailed, and Fortier of Berlin made a motion to increase the appropriation for the Coos County Extension Service by \$700.00, to be used for increasing salaries only. Ferguson of Jefferson seconded this motion. The vote taken was unanimous.

Motion made at the County Farm meeting in regard to increasing the salary of the Superintendent and Matron was then discussed, and it was explained as this was part of the County Commissioners duties, it should be left to them.

Sheridan of Berlin then made a motion to add \$500.00 to the appropriation for the County Farm in the Budget to cover an increase in the salary of the Superintendent and Matron, this increase to be left to the discretion of the County Commissioners. This motion was seconded by Russell and carried.

Ferguson of Jefferson then brought up the question of continuing the consultation with the Tax Commission on a study of setting up a new bookkeeping system in regard to income and expenses of the County Farm and County Hospital in separate accounts. Discussion followed. Ferguson of Jefferson then made a motion to appoint a committee for this purpose. Rines of Carroll seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously. Chairman Cornelius then appointed Ferguson of Jefferson, Bishop of Gorham, and Sheridan of Berlin to see the Tax Commission about this problem.

Reconsideration of the motion to leave the appropriation for expenses of the County Delegation at \$2500.00, as estimated on the County Budget as proposed by the County Commissioners was accepted, and motion to approve same was made by Brungot of Berlin, seconded by Fortier of Berlin. This motion was carried.

Reconsideration of motion to buy new laundry equipment for the County Farm was then accepted. Sheridan of Berlin made a motion to buy new laundry machines for the County Farm at a cost of approximately \$6300.00. This was seconded by Russell of Berlin. Discussion followed, a vote was taken and the motion was unanimously accepted.

Motion was then made by Brungot of Berlin to reconsider the motion of buying a new truck for the County Farm. Potter of Milan seconded this motion and reconsideration was ac-

cepted. Motion made by Brungot of Berlin seconded by Potter of Milan to buy a new truck in replacement of the old one at a price of approximately \$2500.00. Motion accepted unanimously.

Fortier of Berlin then made a motion to buy a new X-ray machine for the County Hospital as recommended by Drs. Gifford and Parsons, also by Mrs. Whitcomb and Senator O'Brien, at a cost of \$4500.00. This was seconded by Russell of Berlin. Motion was unanimously carried.

Brungot of Berlin made a motion to reconsider and pay the mileage for Sheridan of Berlin and Fortier of Berlin on their investigation of the Lancaster and Berlin Court House repairs. This was seconded by Roy of Berlin and motion was carried.

Sheridan of Berlin made a motion and this motion was seconded by Ferguson of Jefferson to repair both Court Houses at an approximate cost of \$11,000.00. Discussion followed. Christianson of Berlin moved the previous question. Sheridan of Berlin seconded this motion. On a vote, this motion was lost. Sheridan of Berlin later called for a reconsideration of this motion and demanded a roll call. On the roll call, the following voted in favor of the motion, Sheridan of Berlin, Charbonneau of Groveton, Gagnon of Berlin, Christianson of Berlin, Fontaine of Berlin and Russell of Berlin (6). Those voting against were: Dussault of Berlin, Roy of Berlin, Fortier of Berlin, Rines of Carroll, Stinson of Stratford, Alls of Colebrook, Hurlbert of Errol, Ferguson of Jefferson, Cornelius of Lancaster, Annis of Millsfield, Potter of Milan, Bushey of Groveton, Phelan of Stark, Baker of Stewartstown, Taylor of Whitefield, Emerson of Dalton, Rix of Dummer, Boothman of Randolph and Gould of Wentworth's Location (19 votes). Brungot of Berlin and Kidder of Shelburne passed (2). The motion was lost.

Letter from Mrs. Whitcomb at the County Farm to Mrs. Brungot was then read to the Delegation in regard to a request for a Catholic Mass kit to be used by the Chaplain. Explanation that this being a religious matter, public money could not be used for this purpose. Mrs. Brungot explained that she had consulted the women members of the Delegation and they felt they would be willing, and might be able to try to raise the money by donations, parties, etc., and present a Mass kit to the County Farm for this purpose. For this drive, Mrs. Brungot asked Mrs. Gagnon to take over the chairman-

ship and asked the other women members to assist her as a committee. This was agreed to, and accepted.

In regard to the question raised at former meetings by Mrs. Fontaine of Berlin about dispensation of the salary of the deceased County Commissioner, Nelson Rich, by the 1953 Executive Committee, Mrs. Fontaine withdrew her motion and this was accepted.

Fortier of Berlin made a motion, seconded by Brungot of Berlin that the delegation approve the Budget for Coos County for the year 1955 as estimated by the County Commissioners and amended by the County Delegation at this meeting, and that we appropriate \$386,505.00 for the 1955 Budget and raise \$262,951.03 by direct taxes. This motion was carried.

Fortier of Berlin then made a motion that the County Commissioners and the Treasurer be authorized to sell notes in the amount of \$13,300.00 and in such amounts dated and due at such times as they deem advisable to cover the cost of X-ray machine, washing machines, for the laundry at the County Farm, and a new truck for the County Farm. This motion was seconded by Mrs. Brungot and was carried.

Ferguson of Jefferson then made the motion to adjourn. This was seconded by Mrs. Brungot, and the motion was carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

Rebecca A. Gagnon, Clerk pro tem

Arthur Bouchard, Clerk.

A meeting of Coos County Delegation was called April 13, 1955 in the House Gallery of the State House, Concord, N.H.

Chairman Brungot called the meeting to order.

Clerk Bouchard called the roll and found a quorum present.

Question raised in regard to the motions made at the County Farm Meeting. Mr. Cornelius of Lancaster questioned and it was seconded by Mrs. Bishop of Gorham and then the motion was made that Chairman Brungot see the Attorney General regarding these questions. Chairman Brungot asked Mr. Cornelius and Mr. Ross to go with her.

Meeting adjourned.

Arthur Bouchard, Clerk

The Coos County Delegation met at the Coos County Farm at West Stewartstown, N.H. Saturday, March 26, 1955 at 10:00 A.M.

Visitation and inspection of the County Farm Buildings was made by the members of the Delegation from 10 o'clock until 11 o'clock.

Chairman Brungot called the meeting to order at 11 o'clock and Clerk Bouchard called the roll. There were 26 members present. Members absent were Simonds of Lancaster, Taylor of Whitefield, Rines of Carroll, Hurlbert of Clarksville, Alls of Colebrook, Baker of Stewartstown, and Converse of Pittsburg. The County Commissioners were all present: Roy, Potter, and Hicks.

The following visitors from the Coos County Extension Service were present: George Martin, Groveton, President of the Coos County Extension Service, Clarence Marshall, Secretary, Chester Noyes, Vice-President, Robert Phipps, County Forester, Lawrence Philbrick, and Senator Daniel O'Brien.

President George Martin discussed the need of an additional appropriation of \$700.00 to be earmarked for salary purposes only. This \$700.00 is necessary because of the difficulty in getting County Agents and Demonstration Agents at the present salaries. All other members of the Coos County Extension Service explained the workings of the Farm Bureau and they also recommended that this additional \$700.00 be appropriated for salary purposes. A question and answer period followed, after which all visitors were excused from the meeting.

An Executive Session was then called by the Chairman.

Chairman Brungot asked Commissioner Roy to explain the reason why notices of the Budget had not been sent to the delegates before the public hearing. After explanation, Mr. Ferguson of Jefferson moved that Rules and Regulations be so far suspended as to permit all matters planned for this meeting in regard to the Budget and other business to be transacted at this time. This motion was seconded by Mr. Emerson of Dalton. Christianson of Berlin asked for a roll call, seconded by Ferguson of Jefferson. A roll call was taken and the vote was unanimous. The motion was carried..

Unfinished business was now called for. Mr. Sheridan spoke about repairs for both Court Houses. He made a motion that the County Commissioners get estimates on the cost of repairs to both Court Houses and present these estimates at

some future meeting. This motion was seconded by Ross of Gorham. Mr. Sheridan then moved that the motion be laid on the table for the time being. This motion was also seconded by Ross of Gorham, and carried.

The need for new laundry equipment at the County Farm was then discussed. Mr. Whitcomb, Superintendent of the County Farm, was called in to give the members detailed information in regard to this. He also explained about the need of a new truck for the farm. A question and answer period followed. This matter was laid on the table for the moment.

Bouchard of Berlin made a motion to increase the Sheriff's Salary by \$400.00, making it \$2200.00. This was seconded by Charbonneau of Groveton. Discussion followed. During the discussion, recess was called for lunch. After lunch, the meeting was again called to order and the question brought up regarding the motion to increase the Sheriff's salary. Mr. Fortier asked Mr. Bouchard if he would change his motion to increase the salary by \$200.00 instead of \$400.00. This was agreed to. Ferguson of Jefferson made a motion to indefinitely postpone the increase of \$200.00. This was seconded by Emerson of Dalton. A roll call was asked for by Sheridan of Berlin, and seconded by Charbonneau of Groveton. The members who voted "Yes" were: Hurlbert, Bishop, Ferguson, Cornelius, Potter, Annis, Phelan, Stinson, Emerson, Rix, Boothman, Kidder and Gould, 13 votes. The members who voted "No" were: Dus-sault, Fortier, Roy, Russell, Sheridan, Christianson, Bouchard, Fontaine, Gagne, Ross, Bushey and Charbonneau, 12 votes. The motion for indefinite postponement was passed and the motion for salary increase was defeated.

Fortier of Berlin made a motion to increase the appropriation for the Coos County Extension Service by \$700.00. Cornelius of Lancaster seconded this motion. A vote was taken, 24 in favor and 1 against. This motion was carried.

Sheridan of Berlin brought up the subject of increase in salary for the Superintendent and Matron of the County Farm. After discussion Mr. Sheridan made a motion to increase the salary by \$500.00. This motion was seconded by Hurlbert of Errol. The motion was voted on and carried, 20 in favor and 3 against.

Question was raised by Cornelius of Lancaster as to why the rates in the County Hospital were lower than other hospitals. Commissiononer Roy was called in to explain. A discussion

followed: Ferguson of Jefferson asked several questions and the matter was held over for future discussion.

Cornelius of Lancaster then brought up the matter of why Coos County relief does not use more of the Government Surplus Foods such as butter, cheese, and dry milk. Commissioner Roy was called in to explain. Commissioner Roy said we could not cut down a relief family's allotment; this was strictly forbidden, and that many border line cases still have some pride left and they refuse to sign and answer to all the "red tape" required. County Relief uses all the surplus foods they can and these foods are given to those willing to accept and sign receipts for such foods.

Bishop of Gorham brought up the question of estimated revenue from the County Farm and County Hospital and questioned why the County Hospital should show a profit instead of the County Farm. After discussion and explanation, suggestion was made to consult the Tax Commission about setting up a new bookkeeping system in regard to Income and Expense of the County Farm and Hospital. Bishop of Gorham made a motion that the Chairman appoint a committee of three to consult with Tax Commission in regard to setting up same. Chairman appointed the following committee: Ferguson of Jefferson, Bishop of Gorham, and Sheridan of Berlin.

Fontaine of Berlin raised the question of why last year's Finance Committee paid out to Commissioner Rich's salary to his widow and the two Acting County Commissioners. It was explained that it has always been the custom to pay the salary to the widows and acting officials who serve during the time that office is unoccupied, or until another new official is appointed. The former Finance Committee acted in good faith and felt it could cost the County more than double this amount to call the delegation together for this purpose. Question laid aside for later consideration.

Bishop of Gorham then made a motion to cut the cost of expenses of the County Delegation to \$2,000.00. This was seconded by Sheridan; a vote was taken and the motion was defeated by a vote of 17 to 8.

Sheridan of Berlin made a motion to buy laundry equipment for the laundry at the County Farm. This was seconded by Russell of Berlin. The cost of this equipment will be approximately \$6300.00. The vote was unanimous on this motion.

Ferguson of Jefferson made a motion to buy a new truck in replacement of an old one, at a price of approximately

\$2000.00. It was seconded by Potter of Milan. On the vote taken, 21 voted in favor and 3 against.

Sheridan of Berlin made a motion, seconded by Roy of Berlin to repair both Court Houses at an approximate cost of \$11,000.00. Fortier of Berlin asked for a roll call. This was seconded by Bouchard of Berlin. On the roll call the following voted "Yes"—Dussault, Roy, Russell, Sheridan, Fontaine, Gagne, Hurlbert, Bishop, Ross, Bushey, Charbonneau, Phelan, Rix, Boothman, Kidder, 15 votes. The following members voted "No"—Fortier, Christiansen, Bouchard, Ferguson, Cornelius, Potter, Annis, Stinson, Emerson, and Gould, 10 votes. The motion was carried.

Bishop of Gorham made a motion that we appropriate \$386,505.00 for the 1955 Budget, and that we raise \$262,951.03 by direct taxes. A roll call was asked for the vote was unanimous.

Bishop of Gorham made a motion that the County Commissioner and Treasurer be authorized to sell notes in the amount of \$20,000.00 in such amounts dated and due at such time as they may deem advisable to cover the Court House Repairs, Washing Machines for the Laundry and Truck Replacement for the County Farm. Dussault of Berlin seconded this motion. Roy of Berlin asked for a roll call. This was seconded by Fontaine. On the roll call, the following voted "Yes"—Dussault, Roy, Russell, Sheridan, Fontaine, Gagne, Hurlbert, Bishop, Ross, Bushey, Charbonneau, Stinson, Rix, Boothman, Kidder, Gould and Phelan, 17 votes. The following voted "No"—Fortier, Christiansen, Bouchard, Ferguson, Cornelius, Potter, Annis, Emerson, 8 votes. The motion was carried.

Bouchard of Berlin made a motion to pay the mileage for Sheridan and Fortier on their investigation of the Lancaster Court House repairs. This was seconded by Roy of Berlin and carried by an unanimous vote.

Sheridan of Berlin made a motion to adjourn. This motion was seconded by Ross of Gorham, and unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 5.10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur Bouchard, Clerk

The public hearing of the County Budget was held at the Berlin Court House on March 12, 1955. The meeting opened by Chairman Mrs. Hilda Brungot of Berlin at 2:00 P.M. There

were five members of the Finance Committee present.

Mr. Lawrence Philbrick of Shelburne spoke for the Extension Service in place of Mr. George Martin who was detained by other business. His request was to have \$700.00 put in the budget to be used for salaries in the Extension Service. A request was made by Mr. Bishop of Gorham for a detailed report of expenditures of the Extension Service Department. Mr. Robert Phipps was the next speaker. Mr. Phipps, the County Forester, spoke on his work and that of the County Agent and 4-H Agent. Mrs. Gonyer then moved the meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

John D. Cornelius, Secretary pro tem

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman Mrs. Brungot at 3:05 P.M. in room 308 of the State House. Seventeen delegation members were present. Mrs. Brungot presented Bill No. 315 titled "Relative to the salary of Coos County Solicitor." Mr. Baker of Stewartstown, sponsor of the bill, spoke. Mr. Bergeron of Berlin spoke in favor and explained the duties of the office. Mr. Lamontagne also spoke in favor of the bill and also of the good work Mr. Hanson is doing. Mr. Hanson spoke about the expense involved in his job as County Solicitor. Mr. Roy Ferguson of Jefferson asked if the amount was satisfactory. Mr. Henson replied it was for the coming two years.

Mrs. Brungot suggested the delegation go to the County Farm and have the budget meeting at the same time. This would eliminate a meeting at Concord and would have both mileage and salary of Commissioners and delegates. This was agreed on and date to be made later.

Mr. Baker stated new bills were coming in as to Compensation and Old Age Assistance and the county will have to think about making provision for them in the budget. Motioned by Mrs. Christiansen of Berlin and seconded by Mr. Alls of Colebrook that the delegation go on record as in favor of Bill No. 315. The motion was unanimous. Mr. Sheridan of Berlin asked if anything was put in the budget for repair of the Court Houses. Mrs. Brungot said the Commissioner was going to take care of what repairs he could with money he had left. Mr. Bishop of Gorham made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Annis of Millsfield seconded the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

John D. Cornelius, Secretary pro tem

A meeting of the Coos County Finance Committee was held in room 64, Eagle Hotel, at 2 o'clock in the P.M.

Five members of the committee were present: Chairman Brungot, Fortier, Dussault, Ferguson, Cornelius and Alls.

After general discussion on budget and other problems, it was moved by Mr. Ferguson and seconded by Mr. Cornelius, that the recommendations of previous meeting held at Coos County Court House at Berlin, February 4th, be rescinded, and that the matter of Court House repairs be left to the delegation as a whole.

The committee also discussed the request of the Commissioners for \$4,000.00 for new equipment at the farm and raising soldiers relief aid another \$1000.00. After long deliberation the committee felt that this extra expense should also be left to the consideration and recommendation of the full delegation and it was so voted.

Respectfully submitted,

Guy J. Fortier, Assistant Clerk

The Coos County Finance Committee held its first meeting at the Court House at 2:00 P.M. with Chairman Brungot presiding. Present were Chairman Brungot, Cornelius, Annis, Stinson, Ferguson and Fortier who acted as Clerk.

Commissioners Roy and Potter were present to discuss the budget with the committee.

The report of the special committee to investigate the cost of repairs to the Court Houses at Lancaster and Berlin was read.

It was moved that the Commissioners get the estimates for the cost of such repairs, by Mr. Cornelius. It was seconded by Mr. Ferguson and carried.

Commissioner Roy recommended that a new X-Ray machine be purchased for the Hospital at a cost of about \$4200.00.

On motion of Mr. Ferguson, seconded by Mr. Stinson, the recommendation was laid upon the table. Motion carried.

Commissioner Roy offered an estimated budget for 1955 and discussion followed.

On motion of Mr. Alls the estimated budget of \$260,651.00 be accepted plus \$4000.00 additional expense for farm and other expenses of \$1600.00. Seconded by Mr. Annis. Motion passed.

A discussion on raising the rates at the County Hospital

followed, and on motion of Mr. Annis the matter was laid upon the table. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Cornelius. Seconded by Ferguson.

Respectfully submitted,

Guy J. Fortier, Acting Clerk

The Coos County Delegation met in Section 5 of Representatives Hall immediately after adjournment with Chairman Brungot opening the meeting.

Mr. Sheridan brought up the question of a quorum and upon roll call 20 members of the delegation were found to be present.

Mr. Sheridan brought up the subject of repairs at the County Court Houses in both Berlin and Lancaster and after discussion Mr. Sheridan made the following motion: That a committee of three be appointed by the chairman to study the question of repairs to both court houses and report to the Finance Committee not later than Friday, February 4th, at which time the Finance Committee has scheduled a meeting at Berlin Court House.

The motion was carried unanimously and the chairman appointed as members of such committee, Mr. Sheridan and Mr. Fortier of Berlin and Mr. Cornelius of Lancaster.

No other business being in order the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur Bouchard, Clerk

The Finance Committee of Coos County Delegation met in room 64 of the Eagle Hotel, Concord, N.H., January 18, 1955.

Members present Brungot, Bouchard, Annis, Dussault, Ferguson and Fortier.

On motion of Mr. Fortier of Berlin, the meeting adjourned.

The Finance Committee of Coos County Delegation met in room 64 of the Eagle Hotel, Concord, N.H.

Members present: Brungot, Bouchard, Annis Dussault, Ferguson and Fortier.

On motion by Mr. Ferguson of Jefferson, seconded by Mr. Annis of Millsfield, it was voted unanimously to authorize the County Commissioners to borrow \$150,000.00 in anticipation of taxes.

On motion of Mr. Fortier of Berlin, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur Bouchard, Clerk

The Coos County Delegation met in Room 309, State House, Concord, on Wednesday, January 12, 1955 at 2:30 P.M. for the purpose of organization. At roll call all members were present except Ada C. Taylor of Whitefield. The following delegates were present: Elizabeth C. Hurlbert, Clarksville; William O. Emerson, Dalton; Mark S. Rix, Dummer; John H. Boothman, Randolph; Victor Kidder, Shelburne; Florence M. Gould, Wentworth's Location.

Harvey H. Converse of Pittsburgh was elected temporary clerk and Florence M. Gould of Wentworth's Location was elected temporary chairman.

Nominations for permanent chairman were as follows:

Hilda C. A. Brungot of Berlin was nominated by William O. Emerson of Dalton, seconded by Arthur A. Bouchard of Berlin.

Elmer L. Annis of Millsfield was nominated by Marie A. Christiansen of Berlin, seconded by Jennie Fontaine of Berlin. Mr. Annis declined.

Frank H. Sheridan was nominated but declined.

Nominations for Vice Chairman:

John D. Cornelius of Lancaster was nominated by Arthur L. Simonds of Lancaster.

Nominations for Clerk:

Arthur A. Bouchard of Berlin was nominated by Harry S. Alls of Colebrook, seconded by Edgar J. Roy.

Frank H. Sheridan of Berlin was nominated by Jennie Fontaine of Berlin, but declined.

There being but one nominee for each office, the temporary clerk cast one ballot for each and they were elected.

On motion of Guy J. Fortier of Berlin, duly seconded, it was voted to authorize the chairman of the delegation to appoint one more member on the finance and executive committees from the minority party, thus making the membership of the committees consist of five members of the majority party and four members of the minority party—three elected members: chair-

man, vice chairman and clerk, and six appointed by the chairman: three republican and three democrat.

The chairman appointed on the finance committee the following: Harry S. Alls of Colebrook, Roy A. Ferguson of Jefferson, Elmer L. Annis of Millsfield, Guy J. Fortier of Berlin, Oliver A. Dussault of Berlin and Bert Stinson of Stratford.

Arthur Bouchard, Clerk

DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING

STATE TAX COMMISSION

Concord, New Hampshire

Summary of Findings and Recommendations

November 17, 1955

Board of County Commissioners
Coos County
Berlin, New Hampshire

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 82, Section 27, of the Revised Laws, the biennial audit and examination of the accounts of Coos County has been made by this Division. The audit covered the fiscal years ended December 31, 1953 and December 31, 1954. Submitted herewith is the report of this audit including Exhibits as hereafter listed. The report is made up in three sections as follows:

- Section I — Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1953
- Section II — Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1954
- Section III — Ten Year Statement of County Taxes

Assessed, Net Debt and Bonded Debt

Scope of Audit

Included in the audit and examination were the accounts and records of the Board of County Commissioners, County Treasurer, Clerk of the Superior Court and Superintendent of the County Farm and Hospital.

Financial Reports

Comparative Balance Sheets: (Exhibits A and H)

Comparative Balance Sheets for the fiscal years ended December 31, 1952-1953, and December 31, 1953-1954, are pre-

sented in Exhibits A and H respectively. As indicated therein, the Surplus decreased by \$927.48 in 1953, and \$21,916.03 in 1954.

Analysis of Change in Financial Condition:

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1953 (Exhibit B)

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1954 (Exhibit I)

Statements presenting an analysis of the factors which affected the change in financial condition of the County during the fiscal years ended December 31, 1953 and December 31, 1954, are included in Exhibits B and I, respectively.

The decrease in Surplus during the year 1953 amounted to \$927.48. The factors which caused this were as follows:

Decrease in Surplus

Cash Surplus Used to Reduce 1953	
County Tax	\$28,822.13

Increases in Surplus

Net Budget Surplus	\$23,420.36	
Increase in Accounts Receivable	1,654.11	
Decrease in Accounts Payable	2,820.18	
	<hr/>	27,894.65
Net Decrease		<hr/> \$927.48

During 1954 the decrease in Surplus, amounting to \$21,916.03, resulted as follows:

Decreases in Surplus

Cash Surplus Used to Reduce 1954	
County Tax	\$32,942.22
Increase in Accounts Payable	1,477.02
Decrease in Accounts Receivable	2,342.81
	<hr/> \$36,762.05

Increases in Surplus

Net Budget Surplus	14,846.02
Net Decrease	<hr/> \$21,916.03

Comparative Statements of Appropriations and Expenditures—

Estimated and Actual Revenues:

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1953 (Exhibits C and D)

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1954 (Exhibits J and K)

In the fiscal year ended December 31, 1953, a net revenue surplus of \$28,397.57, less a net overdraft of appropriations of \$4,977.21, resulted in a net budget surplus of \$23,420.36.

In 1954 a net revenue surplus of \$23,444.09, less a net overdraft of appropriations of \$8,598.07, resulted in a net budget surplus of \$14,846.02.

Summaries of Receipts and Expenditures:

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1953 (Exhibit E)

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1954 (Exhibit L)

Summaries of the receipts and expenditures of the County, made up in accordance with the uniform classification of accounts, for the fiscal years ended December 31, 1953 and 1954, are presented in Exhibits E and L, respectively.

Accounts of Commissioners and Treasurer

All orders issued by the Commissioners and Clerk of the Superior Court during the periods under review were examined and compared with the Treasurer's records. Supporting invoices and payrolls were also examined and the classification of expenditures noted. Proof of the Treasurer's balance as of December 31, 1953 and December 31, 1954, is shown in Exhibits E-1 and L-1, respectively.

Clerk of the Superior Court

The financial accounts and records of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Coos County were examined. Court receipts were checked by source, insofar as possible, and found to be properly recorded. Court orders issued by the Clerk were supported by invoices, vouchers and payrolls bearing the approval of a Superior Court Justice.

County Farm and Hospital

The accounts and records of the Superintendent of the County Farm and County Hospital were examined. Receipts of the Farm from the sale of milk and cream, wood, livestock and produce, and from boarders were checked by source through the triplicate receipt forms. All receipts of the Farm and Hospital, as recorded in the cash book, were properly accounted for by the Superintendent through deposits in the bank to the credit of the County Treasurer's accounts.

Classified summaries of receipts and expenditures of the County Institutions for the years 1953 and 1954 are presented in Exhibits F and M, respectively.

General Comments

Overdrafts of Appropriations:

It is noted that in the years 1953 and 1954, there were net overdrafts of appropriations amounting to \$4,977.21 and \$8,598.07, respectively. In other words, the total expenditures for all purposes exceeded the total budgetary appropriations by these amounts.

In this connection attention is called to New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated, Chapter 24, Section 15, which provides as follows:

"Exceeding Appropriations. No county commissioner shall pay, or agree to pay, or incur any liability for the payment of, any sum of money for which the county convention has made no appropriation, or in excess of any appropriation so made except for the payment of judgments rendered against the county. In the case of an emergency, however, county commissioners may apply to the executive committee, which, after a public hearing, may grant to the county commissioners authority in writing to make such emergency payment. Whenever it appears that the amount appropriated for a specific purpose will not be used in whole or part for such purpose, the county commissioners may use such sum to augment other appropriations, if necessary, provided the total payments for all purposes do not exceed the total sum of appropriations in any year made by the county convention."

Whenever it appears that circumstances may make it

necessary to exceed the total amount of budgetary appropriations, application should be made by the County Commissioners to the Executive Committee of the County convention for authority to make such emergency expenditures.

Adjusted Hospital Costs:

At the request of a legislative committee which was appointed to make a study of hospital costs, a special analysis in connection therewith was made by the Auditors.

The total amount of actual expenditures made on account of the County Hospital in the year 1954 was \$67,876.66. This is indicated in the published County report for that year and in Exhibit M of this report. Included in these expenditures are only such items as were wholly chargeable to hospital expenses and which in no way were applicable to the other sections of the County Institution. These included salaries and wages of nurses, technicians and other hospital personnel, hospital supplies and equipment and other expenditures made exclusively for hospital purposes.

However to present a true picture of the real cost of operating the County Hospital, there are other factors which have to be taken into consideration. Inasmuch as the hospital occupies a part of the County Institution certain costs which are charged to the County Farm and classified under "Operation and Maintenance of Plant" must be divided and a reasonable part of such costs allocated to hospital expenses. Included in this category were expenditures for salary and labor payrolls, food and provisions, plant supplies, fuel, light and water, telephone service and other miscellaneous items. The division of such costs, expressed in terms of percentage, was made only after a thorough discussion of the subject with the Superintendent. Exhibit N-1 contains a detailed statement showing the allocation of such costs between the County Farm and Hospital.

The item of insurance was treated separately inasmuch as the County is covered by blanket insurance which includes all County property. A fair division seemed to be on the basis of 50% for the County Institution and 50% for other County property. Therefore one-half of the insurance chargeable to the County Institution was allocated to the hospital expense.

The next factor to be considered pertains to the food

products (meat, poultry, eggs, milk and vegetables) raised at the County Farm and consumed at the hospital. The market value of all such products raised at the farm during the year and consumed at the institution was arrived at by using the production records of the superintendent and the unit prices for the various items. Unit prices were determined on the basis of prices actually charged for food products sold outside the institution and reliable market bulletins. The matter of the allocation of cost of food products raised and consumed at the County Institution was discussed with the superintendent and it was agreed that the division be made on the basis of population which seemed to be about equally divided between the farm and hospital. Hence 50% of the total market value of such products was charged to the hospital. Exhibit N-2 presents a detailed statement of this account.

The adjusted hospital costs for 1954 as analyzed in Exhibit N, are therefore as follows:

Expenditures Wholly Chargeable to Hospital	\$ 67,876.66
Proportion of Expenditures Originally Charged to County Farm Transferred to Hospital	34,682.29
Proportion of Insurance Charges Allocated to Hospital	1,555.40
Market Value of Food Products Raised at County Farm and Consumed at Hospital	10,180.39
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Total Adjusted Hospital Costs	\$114,294.74

County Hospital Rates:

The rates currently charged by the County Hospital are as follows:

Private Room	\$9.00 per day
Semi-Private Room	\$8.00 per day
Ward	\$7.00 per day
County Cases	\$7.00 per day
City and Town Cases	\$7.00 per day

County Hospital—Accounts Receivable:

It is again recommended that a monthly report of hospital accounts receivable be made by the Superintendent to the Board of County Commissioners. This would be in summarized form as follows:

Accounts Receivable — October 1, 1955	\$.....
Charges during October
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	\$.....
Accounts Paid during October	\$.....
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*Accounts Receivable — October 31, 1955	\$.....

*This amount to be proved by adding machine tape, listing and totaling individual accounts receivable as indicated by patients' ledger cards.

In order that the information necessary to make this report may be readily available and to establish better control over accounts receivable, certain accounting procedures will be recommended to the superintendent. These will include the adoption of two loose leaf, columnar forms — one for recording hospital "charges" and the other hospital "cash receipts."

We believe that all uncollected hospital accounts should remain in the active accounts file until such time as they are ordered written off by the County Commissioners and then only after a thorough investigation of the individual cases.

Conclusion:

The provisions of Chapter 184 of the Laws of 1955, require that the summary of findings and recommendations of this report shall be published in the next annual report of the County. If this is not done, the Tax Commission, at the expense of the County, may cause the summary to be separately published and distributed or published in a newspaper having a general circulation in the County.

The inclusion of Exhibits in the published report is optional with the County Commissioners.

The appreciation and thanks of this Division is hereby expressed to the officials of Coos County and their office staffs for the assistance rendered during the course of the audit.

Yours very truly,

Harold G. Fowler, Director

DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING
STATE TAX COMMISSION

Alan R. Matthews, Auditor

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DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING

STATE TAX COMMISSION

Concord, New Hampshire

November 17, 1955

Certificate of Audit

This is to certify that we have examined and audited the accounts and records of the Coos County Commissioners, County Treasurer, Clerk of the Superior Court and the County Farm and Hospital for the fiscal years ended December 31, 1953 and December 31, 1954. In our opinion the Exhibits presented herewith reflect the true financial condition of the County on December 31, 1953 and December 31, 1954, together with the results of operations for the fiscal years ended on these dates.

Respectfully submitted,

Harold G. Fowler, Director

DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING
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Budget as Approved by Coos County Delegation

Purposes of Expenditures

General Government:	
Salaries of County Commissioners	\$ 4,500.00
Treasurer	400.00
County Solicitor	2,400.00
Auditors	200.00
Sheriff	1,800.00
Expenses of Above Officers	7,500.00
Register of Deeds	1,200.00
Register of Probate	1,100.00
Court Houses	10,000.00
Superior Court:	
Jury Payrolls	5,000.00
"State vs."	6,000.00
Counsel	500.00
Master	400.00
Stenographer	1,800.00
Clerk of Court	8,000.00
Sheriff's Expenses	1,800.00
Solicitor's Expenses	800.00
Psychiatric Cases	800.00
Law Books	300.00
Miscellaneous	300.00
County Farm	125,500.00
County Hospital	55,000.00
County Jail	7,500.00
Poor Off Farm	45,000.00
Old Age Assistance	23,000.00
Soldiers' Aid	3,000.00
Children's Account	40,000.00
Welfare Administration	4,500.00
Interest	2,300.00
Service Charge	185.00
All Other Payments	
Tax Rebate	
County Reports	950.00
Biennial Audit	500.00

State Stenographer	1,600.00
Coos County Extension Service	11,500.00
Expenses	200.00
Insurance	7,000.00
Employees' Retirement	950.00
Delegation Expense	2,500.00
J. P. Frechette	520.00
	<hr/> \$386,505.00

Sources of Revenue

Income from County Farm	\$ 15,000.00
County Hospital	90,000.00
Reimbursement from Support of Poor	5,600.00
Berlin Court House	600.00
Auto Permits	151.00
	<hr/> \$111,351.00
Cash Surplus	12,202.97
	<hr/> \$123,553.97
Amount to be Raised by Taxation	\$262,951.03

Report of County Commissioners

To the Citizens of Coos County:

In compliance with the Laws of the State of New Hampshire, the Commissioners of Coos County present their annual report for the year ending December 31, 1955 together with the reports of the Treasurer, Clerk of Court, Sheriff, County Solicitor, Superintendent of the County Farm, Hospital, House of Correction, Jail, and Auditors.

The County ended the fiscal year 1955 with a net Budget Deficit of \$411.59 and a cash surplus of \$2,243.87.

At the County Farm new laundry equipment was installed at a cost of \$6,100.00 and a new X-ray machine was purchased for the hospital at a cost of \$4,568.00.

The revenue from the County Farm and Hospital amounted to \$135,795.50.

Under Support of Poor Off Farm, the expenditures increased \$3,665.00, mostly due to increases in the cost of Board and Care and Clothing.

To all the employees of the County, officials of the towns, and the City of Berlin, who have aided us in the administration of County Affairs, and to all individuals, clubs, and organizations who have so kindly contributed to the welfare and happiness of the inmates of our institutions, we are very grateful.

Respectfully submitted,

LEO ROY, Commissioner First District
A. A. POTTER, Commissioner Second District
B. H. HICKS, Commissioner Third District

Financial Report

Balance Sheet December 31, 1955

Assets

Taxes Due County	\$.15	
Petty Cash—County Farm		500.00	
Treasurer's Balance		2,243.87	
Bills Receivable—County Farm			
(January 1, 1949 to January 1, 1956)		12,279.95	
		<hr/>	\$15,023.97

Liabilities

Bills Payable			
(\$3,196.04 payable in January 1956)	\$	3,621.57	
Net Surplus		11,402.40	
		<hr/>	15,023.97

Unpaid Taxes—1954

Dixville			
Alvan E. Kallam	\$.15	\$.15

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS, DECEMBER 31, 1954 — DECEMBER 31, 1955

	DECEMBER 31, 1954	DECEMBER 31, 1955
ASSETS		
Cash on Hand—Bank	\$12,202.97	\$ 2,243.87
County Farm—Petty Cash	500.00	500.00
Bills Receivable—		
(January 1, 1949 to January 1, 1956)	7,427.28	12,279.95
	<u>\$20,130.25</u>	<u>\$15,023.82</u>
Uncollected Taxes		
1953	\$ 18.21	\$.90
1954	2,643.71	.15
	<u>2,661.92</u>	<u>.15</u>
	<u>\$22,792.17</u>	<u>\$15,023.97</u>
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Owed by County		
Outstanding Bills (\$3,196.04 payable		
January, 1956)	\$ 3,993.55	\$3,621.57
	<u>\$3,993.55</u>	<u>\$3,621.55</u>
Bonds Outstanding	.00	.00
Temporary Loans	.00	.00
Net Surplus	<u>.00</u>	<u>.00</u>
	18,798.62	11,402.40
	<u>\$22,792.17</u>	<u>\$15,023.97</u>

Real Estate Inventory

County Farm buildings, Ladd Farm,, Wood Lots,	
Boiler House, and all lands	\$226,500.00
Piggery and Slaughter House	8,000.00
Jail and House of Correction	45,000.00
Water System	10,000.00
Lancaster Court House and Equipment	40,000.00
Berlin Court House and Equipment	50,000.00
Hen House	6,000.00
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	\$385,500.00

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

	Appropriation	Reimbursements	Amount Available	Expenditures	Balances Unexpended	Overdraft
County Officers' Salaries	\$ 9,300.00		\$ 9,300.00	\$ 9,300.00		
County Officers' Expenses	7,500.00		7,500.00	7,904.40,		\$ 404.40
Register of Deeds	1,200.00		1,200.00	1,198.85	\$	1.15
Register of Probate	1,100.00		1,100.00	1,025.78		74.22
Care and Supplies—Court Houses	10,000.00		10,000.00	8,764.10		1,235.90
County Reports	950.00		950.00	746.00		204.00
Superior Court	25,700.00	\$ 48.01	25,748.01	22,838.70		2,909.31
County Farm, Hospital and Jail	188,000.00		188,000.00	233,679.57		45,679.57
Support of Poor off Farm	45,000.00		45,000.00	43,628.34		1,371.66
Old Age Assistance	23,000.00	1,248.81	24,248.81	17,478.61		6,770.20
Board and Care—Children	40,000.00		40,000.00	39,287.28		712.72
Soldiers' Aid	3,000.00	1,070.30	4,070.30	6,543.07		2,472.77
Administrative Expense	4,500.00		4,500.00	3,872.75		627.25
Interest	2,300.00		2,300.00	1,921.65		378.35
Coos County Extension Service	11,500.00		11,500.00	11,441.66		58.34
Coos County Extension Expenses	200.00		200.00	200.00		
County Delegation	2,500.00		2,500.00	1,129.10		1,370.90
State Retirement—County's Share	950.00		950.00	838.26		111.74
Insurance	7,000.00	15.97	7,015.97	4,919.03		2,096.94
Pension—J. P. Frechette	520.00		520.00	520.00		
Service Charge—Loan	185.00		185.00	195.00		10.00

State Court Stenographer	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,382.08	217.92	50.48
Tax Rebate			50.48		297.17
Biennial Audit	500.00	500.00	797.17		411.43
Repairs—John Sweeney Bridge			411.43		33.80
Canceled Checks			33.80		
	\$386,505.00	\$2,383.09	\$420,107.11	\$18,140.60	\$49,359.62
Net Overdraft				31,219.02	
	\$386,505.00	\$2,383.09	\$420,107.11	\$49,359.62	\$49,359.62
Excess of Actual Over Estimated Revenue				30,807.43	
Unexpended					\$18,552.19
					18,140.60
Net Budget Overdraft					\$411.59

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT — ESTIMATED AND ACTUAL REVENUE

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1955

	REVENUES			Excess	Deficit
	Estimated	Actual			
From County Farm	\$105,000.00	\$135,795.50	\$30,795.00		
Relief Reimbursements	5,600.00	5,179.43			\$420.57
Berlin Court House	600.00	568.20			31.80
Auto Taxes	151.00	562.16	391.16		
Poll Taxes		16.00	16.00		
Interest—Unpaid Taxes		57.14	57.14		
	\$111,351.00	\$142,158.43	\$31,259.80		\$452.37

BUDGET SUMMARY — FISCAL YEAR 1954

Overdraft of Appropriations	\$49,359.62
Unexpended Balance of Appropriations	18,140.60
	<u>\$31,219.02</u>
Actual Budgetary Revenues	\$142,158.43
Estimated Budgetary Revenues	111,351.00
	<u>30,807.43</u>

Net Budget Overdraft

\$411.59

Detail of Receipts and Taxes

1954 Taxes

Town of Columbia	\$2,315.74	
Dixville—The Balsams	321.51	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,637.25

1955 Taxes

Berlin	\$130,150.24	
Carroll	5,293.20	
Clarksville	915.07	
Colebrook	8,819.38	
Columbia	1,577.71	
Dalton	2,145.68	
Dummer	1,851.18	
Errol	1,625.04	
Gorham	35,122.37	
Jefferson	3,910.08	
Lancaster	17,065.52	
Milan	3,628.72	
Northumberland	18,522.27	
Pittsburg	6,531.70	
Randolph	3,473.58	
Shelburne	3,234.30	
Stark	1,406.79	
Stewartstown	2,897.72	
Stratford	2,689.99	
Wentworth Location	660.00	
Whitefield	9,526.72	
	<hr/>	\$261,047.26

Crawford's Purchase

Bretton Woods Co.	\$3.50	
	<hr/>	3.50

Dix's Grant

F. P. Annis	\$.18	
Brown Company	23.80	
	<hr/>	23.98

Erving's Grant

International Paper Co.	\$2.05	
	<hr/>	2.05

Green's Grant

E. Libby & Sons Co.	\$84.26	
Mt. Washington Summit Road	15.21	
	<hr/>	99.47

Sargent's Purchase

Mt. Washington Road	\$135.90	
Yankee Network	71.82	
Mt. Washington Road	47.34	
	<hr/>	255.06

Thompson & Meserve Purchase

Mt. Washington Road	\$126.22	
	<hr/>	126.22
State of New Hampshire	\$1,393.49	
State of New Hampshire (1953)	18.21	
	<hr/>	1,411.70

Total Taxes Received		\$265,606.49
Income from the County Farm	\$135,795.50	
	<hr/>	\$135,795.50

Other Current Receipts

Reimbursement—Relief Account	\$5,179.43	
Berlin Court House	568.20	
Superior Court,	48.01	
Poll Taxes	16.00	
Auto Taxes	542.16	
Old Age Assistance	1,248.81	
Soldiers' Aid	1,070.30	
Interest	57.14	
Insurance	15.97	
	<hr/>	\$8,746.02

Receipts Other Than Current Revenue

Temporary Loan	\$250,000.00	
On Hand, January 1, 1955	12,202.97	
	<hr/>	\$262,202.97
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Total Receipts for the Year		\$672,350.98

Expenditures — General Government

Salaries of County Officers

Treasurer

J. Arthur Sullivan	\$ 400.00
January 1, 1955, to January 1, 1956	

Auditors

Walter D. Hinkley	100.00
William H. Lehnert	100.00

Solicitor

Arnold P. Hanson	2,400.00
January 1, 1955, to January 1, 1956	

Sheriff

Alonzo N. LaBonte	1,800.00
January 1, 1955, to January 1, 1956	

County Commissioners

Leo Roy	1,500.00
January 1, 1955, to January 1, 1956	
Alton A. Potter	1,500.00
January 1, 1955, to January 1, 1956	
Bushrod H. Hicks	1,500.00
January 1, 1955, to January 1, 1956	
	—————\$9,300.00

Expenses of Above Officers

Bookkeepers' Salaries	\$6,082.00
County Officers' Bonds	655.25
Sheriff's Expenses—Telephone Only	166.10
County Treasurer	36.25
Auditors	32.01
Leo Roy	473.76
December 1, 1954, to December 1, 1955	
Alton A. Potter	213.24
December 1, 1954, to December 1, 1955	
Bushrod H. Hicks	245.79
December 1, 1954, to December 1, 1955	
	—————\$7,904.40

Register of Deeds

Bisbee Press	\$284.50
Louis Cardinal	18.35
H. F. Carr Agency	61.54
Coos County Democrat	31.10
Hall & McChesney	186.59
Kee Lox Manufacturing Co.	25.00
Linscott & Smith	1.00
Loring, Short & Harmon	4.06
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	167.10
Remington Rand	350.00
M. Schwartz & Co.	69.61
	<hr/> \$1,198.85

Register of Probate

Coos County Democrat	\$405.46
Coos County Probate Court	213.30
Hall & McChesney	161.03
Kee Lox Manufacturing Co.	8.50
Linscott & Smith	1.25
Carl Larson	81.44
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	142.30
State of New Hampshire	12.50
	<hr/> \$1,025.78

PUBLIC WELFARE

	Poor Off Farm	Children	Old Age Assistance	Soldiers' Aid	Total
Berlin	\$23,896.96	\$14,067.58		\$4,673.24	\$ 42,637.78
Carroll	1,000.17				1,000.17
Colebrook	1,314.25			661.42	1,975.67
Columbia	24.50	1,529.53		114.90	1,668.93
Dalton	762.62	656.54			1,419.16
Dummer		1,346.96			1,346.96
Gorham	609.79	4,017.78			4,627.57
Jefferson		522.65			522.65
Lancaster	3,438.53	482.17		110.29	4,030.99
Milan	37.52	2,300.21		623.01	2,960.74
Northumberland	6,518.66	954.58			7,473.24
Stark	842.57	890.70			1,733.27
Stewartstown	2,732.58				2,732.58
Stratford	1,162.34				13,023.34
Twin Mountain	64.42	11,666.83		194.17	64.42
Whitefield	1,223.43	851.75			2,241.22
Administration Cost	3,872.75			166.04	3,872.75
Old Age Assistance			\$17,478.61		17,478.61
	\$47,501.09	\$39,287.28	\$17,478.61	\$6,543.07	\$110,810.05

COOS COUNTY — COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF RELIEF CASES AND COSTS BY MONTHS FOR
CURRENT AND PREVIOUS YEARS

Months	No. of Cases 1954	No. of Cases 1955	*Increase or Decrease		Net Cost 1954	Net Cost 1955	*Increase or Decrease
January	176	173	3		\$ 8,383.54	\$ 7,953.90	\$ 429.64
February	178	169	9		8,232.58	8,226.98	5.60
March	170	174	4*		7,849.94	7,785.49	64.45
April	179	177	2		8,905.17	8,445.16	549.99*
May	171	175	4*		8,446.41	10,449.65	2,003.24*
June	175	172	3		8,476.83	9,065.22	588.39*
July	175	168	7		9,643.64	8,955.36	688.28
August	172	163	9		6,553.90	8,386.90	1,833.00
September	161	157	4		7,228.59	8,310.66	1,082.07*
October	161	158	3		5,649.77	6,644.85	995.08*
November	170	165	5		10,150.39	8,987.74	1,162.65
December	174	170	4		10,158.03	8,381.37	1,776.66

Total Expenditures—General Government	\$ 19,429.03
Total Cost of Public Welfare	110,810.05

Care and Supplies — Court Houses

Berlin Court House	\$4,380.14	
Lancaster Court House	4,383.96	
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Superior Court

Jury Payrolls	\$ 4,750.46	
"State vs." Payrolls	4,473.11	
Counsel Fees	160.05	
Master	20.00	
Stenographer	696.25	
Clerk of Court	10,049.52	
Sheriff and Deputies	1,633.61	
Solicitor's Expenses	464.65	
Psychiatric Cases	370.80	
Law Books	164.00	
Miscellaneous	56.25	
	<hr/>	22,838.70

County Farm Expenditures

Farm	\$154,496.35	
Hospital	71,794.27	
Jail	7,388.95	
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Interest

Temporary Loans	\$1,921.65	
Service Charge—Loans	195.00	
	<hr/>	2,116.65

Indebtedness

Temporary Loans	\$250,000.00	
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All Other Payments

County Delegation	\$ 1,129.10	
County Reports	746.00	
Coos County Extension Service	11,441.66	
Coos County Extension Expenses	200.00	
Insurance	4,919.03	
State Retirement—County's Share	838.26	
State Court Stenographer	1,382.08	
Pension—J. P. Frechette	520.00	
Repairs—John Sweeney Bridge	411.43	
Tax Rebate	50.48	
Biennial Audit	797.17	
Cancelled Checks	33.80	
	<hr/>	22,469.01
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		\$670,107.11
Balance End of Year		\$2,243.87

Treasurer's Report

Coos County Apportionment of Tax — Year 1955

	Proportion of Tax	Amount of Tax
Berlin	\$494.96	\$130,150.24
Carroll	20.13	5,293.20
Clarksville	3.48	915.07
Colebrook	33.54	8,819.38
Columbia	6.00	1,577.71
Dalton	8.16	2,145.68
Dummer	7.04	1,851.18
Errol	6.18	1,625.04
Gorham	133.57	35,122.37
Jefferson	14.87	3,910.08
Lancaster	64.90	17,065.52
Milan	13.80	3,628.72
Northumberland	70.44	18,522.27
Pittsburg	24.84	6,531.70
Randolph	13.21	3,473.58
Shelburne	12.30	3,234.30
Stark	5.35	1,406.79
Stewartstown	11.02	2,897.72
Stratford	10.23	2,689.99
Wentworth Location	2.51	660.00
Whitefield	36.23	9,526.72
	\$992.76	\$261,047.26

Unincorporated Places

Cambridge	\$.51	\$ 134.11
Crawford's Purchase	.07	18.41
Dixville	2.17	570.60
Dix's Grant	.19	49.96
Erving's Grant	.03	7.89
Gilmanton and Atkinson Academy Grant	.18	47.33
Green's Grant	.39	102.55
Millsfield	.60	157.77
Odell	.62	163.03
Sargent's Purchase	.97	255.06

Second College Grant	.43	113.07
Success	.60	157.77
Thompson and Meserve Purchase	.48	126.22
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	\$ 7.24	\$ 1,903.77
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	\$1,000.00	\$262,951.03

County Auditors' Report

Balance on Hand, January 1, 1955	\$ 12,202.97
Receipts year ending December 31, 1955	660,148.01
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Total Receipts	\$672,350.98
Payments Year ending December 31, 1955	670,107.11
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Cash Book Balance	\$2,243.87
Balance in	
Berlin City National Bank	\$ 5,303.63
Colebrook National Bank	6,645.67
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	\$11,949.30
Less Outstanding Checks	9,705.43
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Reconciled Bank Balance as of December 31, 1955	\$2,243.87

County Farm Superintendent's Report

Total Amount of Receipts from Institution	
Period Ending December 31, 1955	\$135,795.50
Total Remittances to County Treasurer	
Period Ending December 31, 1955	\$135,795.50
Superintendent's Balance on Hand January 1, 1955	.00
Superintendent's Balance on Hand December 31, 1955	.00

Indebtedness — December 31, 1955

Outstanding Temporary Loans	.00
Outstanding Long Term Notes	.00
Outstanding Bonds	.00
Bills owed by County (\$3,196.04 payable January 15, 1956)	\$3,621.57

County Taxes Uncollected December 31, 1955

County Taxes due from Towns and Cities	.00
County Taxes due from Unincorporated Towns	\$.15

Walter D. Hinkley
William H. Lehnert
County Auditors

Superintendent's Report

To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners and the Tax Payers of Coos County:

1955 has been a very productive year on the farm with excellent crops and high milk production. Over two hundred quarts of milk is used daily by the Institution and we produce all of our beef, pork, poultry and eggs used here. A considerable amount of surplus summer garden produce was stored in the deep freeze unit and we have made our own lard for cooking. This year, for the first time, the Experimental Orchard furnished apples for fall eating and some canning.

The Hospital admitted 790 patients with an average stay of 16 days. Average daily bed occupancy was 35 or 74%. There were 176 births, 311 operations, 673 outpatient visits, 1081 laboratory tests, 507 X-rays and 32 blood transfusions. A new X-ray machine was purchased last June at a cost of \$4,500.00.

In the plant new laundry equipment was installed at a cost of \$6,100.00. Both the X-ray and the laundry equipment were purchased from the budget without a special appropriation.

General maintenance of the building has included new attic windows, storm windows in the nursery, remodeling of the calf barn, painting of the chapel, laundry, hospital diet kitchen, corridors and many rooms on all floors. Television sets have been installed in the House of Correction, the Inmate Women's quarters and in the Inmate Men's Recreation Room. At the present time new ceilings are being installed in the House of Correction and the walls are being painted.

We wish to thank our Catholic Chaplain, Father Gilbert, and our Protestant Chaplain, Rev. Houseman, as well as other local clergy for their spiritual comfort, the many church and social groups who have given tray favors and gifts, and the friends of the Institution who have donated money, time, books, magazines and other gifts.

We greatly appreciate the splendid cooperation we have re-

ceived from the Coos County Delegation, the County Commissioners, our Doctors and Nursing Staff, all our Co-workers, friends and neighbors.

Respectfully submitted,

LEE W. WHITCOMB, Superintendent
ELMIRA C. WHITCOMB, Matron

RECEIVED FROM BOARD

(Does not include hospital cases)

City of Berlin	\$ 620.00
Town of Milan	730.00
Town of Northumberland	4.00
Private Boarders	790.00
Inmate Social Security	5,872.10
Board of Prisoners and Transients	70.00
U. S. Immigration and Federal Government	28.50
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	\$ 8,114.60

CROPS RAISED ON THE FARM DURING THE YEAR 1955

Beans, string	1152 lbs.
Beans, shell	150 "
Beets	9300 "
Beet greens	336 "
Cabbage	5110 "
Cauliflower	1290 "
Carrots	1300 "
Corn, sweet	2912 "
Cucumbers	3072 "
Endive	132 "
Lettuce	444 "
Onions	2600 "

Peas, green	8160 "
Potatoes, table	882 bu.
Potatoes, small	90 "
Radishes	150 lbs.
Squash, summer	350 "
Squash, Hubbard	2080 "
Swiss chard	132 "
Spinach	108 "
Tomatoes	2632 "
Turnips	2585 "
Turnip greens	180 "
Hay	315 tons
Corn Silage	110 "
Grass	73 "
Straw	6 "
Oats	215 bu.

**PRODUCED and USED ON FARM DURING THE
YEAR 1955**

Beef	6853 lbs	\$ 2,741.20
Pork	8924 lbs	2,677.20
Poultry	2308 lbs	1,154.00
Eggs	4244 doz	2,546.40
Milk	145,222 lbs	10,165.54

PERSONAL PROPERTY

2 Horses	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
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CATTLE

40 Reg. Holstein cows	\$10,000.00	6,350.00
20 Grade Holstein cows	6,350.00	
13 Reg. and Bred Holstein heifers	2,600.00	
5 Grade and Bred Holstein heifers	875.00	

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3 Reg. Holstein yearlings	450.00
1 Grade Holstein yearling	125.00
8 Reg. Holsteins under 1 yr.	600.00
9 Reg. Holsteins under 6 mo.	450.00

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\$21,450.00

SWINE

1 Boar	\$ 50.00
9 Fat hogs	585.00
13 Brood Sows	552.50
111 Shoats	1,554.00

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\$ 2,741.50

POULTRY

308 R. I. Reds	\$ 616.00
465 Leghorn Cross	813.75

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\$ 1,429.75

SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT

Hospital supplies and equipment	\$ 25,031.00
Household supplies and equipment	14,675.00
Stockroom and clothing	12,543.00
Jail and House of Correction	1,455.00
Farm tools, trucks, tractors, produce	
lumber, etc.	15,895.00

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\$ 69,599.00

TOTAL INVENTORY

\$ 95,420.25

Inventory of Personal Property

January 1, 1955 \$ 98,329.00

Expenditures for the Year 1955 233,679.57

Total Debits	\$332,008.57
Inventory of Personal Property	
December 31, 1955	\$ 95,420.25
Receipts for the Year 1955	<u>135,775.50</u>

Total Credits	<u>\$231,215.75</u>
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Difference—net operating cost	<u>\$100,792.82</u>
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	Weeks
Almshouse and Private Boarders	3147
Hospital patients	1936
House of Correction	950
Jail and Lodgers	159
Staff and Guests	3870
Weekly per capita cost	\$ 10.01

BIRTHS and DEATHS of COUNTY CHARGES

at the Coos County Institution during the
Year 1955

DEATHS

Baird, Raymond	Oct. 29
Bergeron Israel	Oct. 8
Cooper, Elizabeth	Apr. 18
Dalpee, Hermidas	Apr. 9
Goupil, Henry	Dec. 8
Green, William	May 16
Johnson, Fred	Dec 15
Lamontagne, Joseph B.	Aug. 28
Melanson, Leonard	Aug. 10
Monroe, John	Jan. 29
Pinard, Arthur	Jan. 23
Robert, Milton	Feb. 19
Whelan, Daniel	Sept. 11

BIRTHS

Gaulin, Rosemarie	Apr. 16
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RECEIPTS Coos County Institution, Monthly Summary of Receipts for Year of 1955

Month	Poultry					Neat Stock	Misc. Income	Totals for Month
	Board	Hospital	Wood	Produce and Swine	Milk and Cream			
January	\$ 896.20	\$10,166.14	\$ 6.00	\$ 253.00	\$ 1,363.08	\$ 99.00	\$ 111.51	\$ 12,894.93
February	680.00	6,819.39	1,800.11	407.60	1,362.73	53.00	31.80	11,154.63
March	571.90	9,154.43		6.00	1,548.35	70.00	39.78	11,390.46
April	636.00	6,088.75	2,214.68	2.20	1,695.37	35.00	60.87	10,732.87
May	722.00	9,792.99	13.00	81.00	1,358.64		38.61	12,006.24
June	518.60	7,686.83	683.86	351.50	1,296.10	50.00	42.44	10,629.33
July	1,057.45	8,076.94	100.00	121.00	1,271.28	27.00	37.09	10,690.76
August	474.80	8,204.41	9.00	23.47	1,391.44	154.50	125.48	10,383.13
September	507.50	8,784.09	18.00	20.25	1,866.25	410.00	100.50	11,706.59
October	749.00	7,730.47	687.18	51.90	1,841.97	358.00	544.56	11,963.08
November	866.80	7,197.14	10.00	62.10	1,969.55	157.00	198.54	10,461.13
December	763.90	8,720.32	16.00	95.75	2,160.38	15.00	11.00	11,782.35
Totals	\$8,444.15	\$98,421.93	\$5,557.83	\$1,475.77	\$19,125.14	\$1,428.50	\$1,342.18	\$135,795.50

EXPENDITURES

Coos County Institution, Monthly Summary of Expenditures for Jail and House of Correction for Year of 1955

Month	Labor	Supplies	Repairs	Other Expenses	Totals for Month
January	\$ 435.00	\$ 107.01		\$ 3.30	\$ 545.31
February	435.00		\$ 4.35	4.28	443.63
March	435.00	31.22	.75	1.30	468.27
April	462.00	295.05		3.30	760.35
May	435.00	123.50	5.06	1.30	564.86
June	435.00	128.30	36.10	15.47	614.87
July	435.00			1.30	436.30
August	554.90	98.13	11.23	1.30	665.56
September	459.00	204.79		1.30	665.09
October	435.00	286.93	37.77	107.30	867.00
November	478.40	357.77		1.30	837.47
December	445.00	65.94		9.30	520.24
Totals	\$5,444.30	\$1,698.64	\$95.26	\$150.75	\$7,388.95

Monthly Summary of Expenditures for Plant for Year of 1955

Month	Feed	Labor	Supplies	Repairs	Equipment	Other Expenses	Total for Month
January	\$ 3,681.31	\$ 1,925.07	\$ 1,105.40	\$ 243.07		\$ 64.10	\$ 7,018.95
February	2,114.70	1,887.35	1,024.20	996.58		171.02	6,193.85
March	1,752.68	1,800.35	785.29	289.67		291.40	4,919.39
April	2,750.43	1,908.50	594.11	288.06	\$139.50	72.29	5,752.89
May	1,466.90	1,907.50	1,038.90	142.99	200.00	287.30	5,043.59
June	2,849.50	1,939.25	2,057.66	439.49		175.90	7,461.80
July	509.20	2,300.25	913.43	464.15	119.50	66.18	4,372.71
August	2,120.87	1,947.25	281.53	595.03	13.00	139.70	5,097.38
September	1,207.90	1,873.50	423.80	147.28		139.02	3,791.50
October	1,639.28	1,762.50	671.12	154.72		292.21	4,519.83
November	629.60	1,809.75	1,003.31	300.31		42.95	3,785.92
December	1,730.70	1,794.50	811.31	241.51		161.12	4,739.14
Totals	\$22,453.07	\$22,855.77	\$10,710.06	\$4,302.86	\$472.00	\$1,903.19	\$62,696.95

Monthly Summary of Expenditures for Hospital for Year of 1955

Month	Labor	Supplies	Equipment	Other Expenses	Total for Month
January	\$ 4,070.20	\$ 1,197.96	\$ 166.00	\$ 942.70	\$ 6,376.86
February	4,133.50	1,432.52	268.52	108.79	5,943.33
March	3,849.00	1,085.39		96.50	5,030.89
April	4,092.00	1,229.96		97.95	5,419.91
May	4,181.25	1,673.61	27.80	104.16	5,986.82
June	4,044.20	806.05		113.65	4,963.90
July	4,325.50	1,194.36		916.47	6,436.33
August	4,481.50	834.12	4,600.40	90.20	10,006.22
September	4,453.50	1,290.33		104.65	5,848.48
October	4,119.50	669.08	15.66	60.10	4,864.34
November	4,156.00	1,293.53		99.35	5,548.88
December	4,441.75	877.21		49.35	5,368.31
Totals	\$50,347.90	\$13,584.12	\$5,078.38	\$2,783.87	\$71,794.27

Men Inmates at the Coos County Farm During the Year 1955

Name	Weeks	Days
Anderson, Andrew	33	6
Anderson, Charles	2	6
Arseneault, Fidele	52	1
Baker, Fred Elmer	52	1
Barnusky, John	4	3
Barnet, Fred	52	1
Bergeron, Israel	40	1
Black, John	52	1
Bressette, Carl	2	4
Brevachick, Frederick	52	1
Casper, Leo J.	52	1
Chouinard, Eloi	2	4
Cloutier, Edward	39	1
Covill, Francis	4	1
Corriveau, Arthur	52	1
Craigie, William	52	1
Crawford, Enoch	52	1
Cullen, Patrick	34	1
Cushner, Charles	52	1
Demers, Aime	52	1
Demers, Archie	52	1
Demers, Wilfred	52	1
Devlin, John	52	1
Dufour, Abraham	52	1
Dyer, Tony	52	1
Erickson, Oscar	24	4
Ferry, Ernest		4
Fleury, John	26	5
Frenette, Louis	28	6
Gagne, Alphonse	2	5
Gaulin, Ludger	2	4
Giroux, William	5	0
Green, William	19	3
Hamel, Octave	22	0
Harvey, Edward	2	1
Hill, Isaac	52	1
Hurley, James	52	1
Jacques, Joseph	52	1
Johnson, Fred	49	6
Kelliher, Andrew	52	1
Kokoloff, Alex	14	4

Kruiton, James	6	6
Koski, Karl	52	1
Leschuck, Fred	32	3
Litanovich, Mike	52	1
Leclerc, Edward	2	2
Martineau, Amedee	15	1
Maslo, Costac	52	1
Mazorie, Nickerlai	13	5
Melanson, Leonard	31	5
Monroe, John	4	1
Morissette, Charles	14	5
Moulton, Edward	8	2
McLean, Harris	18	4
Nault, Joseph	52	1
Noel, Fred	52	1
Norcott, Harry	52	1
Page, George	18	3
Peavin, Joseph	18	4
Pinard, Arthur	3	2
Roberts, Milton	7	1
Robertson, John	6	1
Robichaud, George	4	6
Smith, James	52	1
Springfield, James	52	1
Veilleux, Raymond	52	1
Webster, Elliott	7	2
Webster, John	52	1
Whelan, Daniel	36	2
White, Floyd	52	1
Wilson, James	52	1

Women Inmates at the Coos County Farm During the Year 1955

Name	Weeks	Days
Blake, Frances	52	1
Bushey, Margaret	7	6
Cooper, Elizabeth	15	3
Corriveau, Sara	52	1
Coulombe, Aurore	52	1
Covell, Flora	52	1
Demers, Florence	52	1
Forster, Dinah		2
Fortier, Rosie	52	1
Fortin, Rose	1	5

Johnson, Carrie	52	1
Lauzier, Mary	52	1
Nourse, Helen	9	5
Poisson, Ida	52	1
Sheridan, Louise	52	1
Smith, Georgianna	52	1
Thibodeau, Simone	52	1
Young, Mary	52	1

Town Boarders

Bushey, Margaret, Berlin	44	2
Dennis, Harold, Northumberland		2
Newell, Lawrence, Milan	52	1

Private Boarders

Howe, John	52	1
Mortensen, John N.	4	2

PRISONERS IN THE HOUSE OF CORRECTION

During the Year 1955

Name	Address	Crime	Weeks	Days
Albert, Norman, Berlin, Assault			7	5
Anderson, Barney, Berlin, Drunk			0	2
Anderson, Barney, Berlin, Drunk			3	6
Anderson, Barney, Berlin, Drunk			11	4
Anderson, Barney, Berlin, Drunk			7	5
Anderson, Barney, Berlin, Drunk			3	6
Anderson, Barney, Berlin, Drunk			7	5
Anderson, Barney, Berlin, Drunk			0	5
Bob, John, Berlin, Drunk			6	3
Boudreau, Earl, Berlin, Drunk			3	6
Boudreau, Earl, Berlin, Drunk			11	4
Boudreau, Earl, Berlin, Drunk			3	6
Bressette, Carroll, Berlin, Drunk			7	5
Buteau, Andre, Berlin, Drunk			3	6
Buteau, Andre, Berlin, Drunk			3	6
Buteau, Andre, Berlin, Drunk			3	6
Buteau, Andre, Berlin, Drunk			3	6

Buteau, Andre, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Buteau, Andre, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Cloutier, Edward, Berlin, Drunk	0	2
Cloutier, Edward, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Cloutier, Edward, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Cloutier, Edward, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Couture, Odilon, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Crouch, Thomas, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Doyon, Ludger, Berlin, Breach of Peace	1	3
Erickson, Oscar, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Erickson, Oscar, Berlin, Drunk	7	5
Ferry, Ernest, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Ferry, Ernest, Berlin, Drunk	11	4
Fleming, Vincent, Berlin, Drunk	1	4
Fortin, Rose, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Fortin, Rose, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Fortin, Rose, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Fortin, Rose, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Gagne, Alphonse, Berlin, Vagrancy	11	4
Giroux, William, Berlin, Drunk	0	6
Godin, Leon, Berlin, Drunk	7	2
Hebert, Arthur, Berlin, Gross Lewdness	11	4
Henry, Peter, Berlin, Stealing	0	5
Henry, Peter, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Henry, Peter, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Herook, Mike, Berlin, Assault	3	6
Herook, Mike, Berlin, Theft	3	6
Hilden, Oni, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Hilden, Oni, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Hilden, Oni, Berlin, Drunk	7	5
Johnson, Fritz, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Judson, Bertran, Berlin, Assault	7	5
Mader, Gordon, Berlin, Drunk	0	4
Mader, Melburn, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
McDonald, Daniel, Berlin, Drunk	11	4
Nichols, Gordon, Berlin, V. M. V. L.	3	6
Ouellette, John J., Berlin, V. M. V. L.	2	3
Perry, John, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Perry, John, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Robertson, John, Berlin, Drunk	7	5
Robertson, John, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Robertson, John, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Robertson, John, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Sweeney, Peter, Berlin, Drunk	11	4
Sweeney, Peter, Berlin, Drunk	3	6

Sweeney, Peter, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Valley, Joseph, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Valley, Joseph, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Viger, Archie, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Webster, William, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Webster, William, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Webster, William, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Webster, William, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Webster, William, Berlin, Drunk	3	6
Webster, William, Berlin, Drunk	7	5
Bresette, Albert, Colebrook, Stealing	11	4
Grant, Volney, Colebrook, Drunk	0	3
Grant, Volney, Colebrook, Non-Support	23	1
Dooan, Francis, Gorham, Drunk	10	6
Mulloy, Joseph, Gorham, Drunk	18	5
Murphy, James, Gorham, Vagrancy	7	5
Nichols, Lucille, Gorham, Drunk	3	6
Nichols, Merlin, Gorham, Drunk	23	0
Noel, Ronaldo, Gorham, Vagrancy	21	4
Perkins, Benjamin, Jefferson, Theft	23	3
Newman, Alba, Lancaster, Lewdness	33	1
Brown, Alvin, Northumberland, Vagrancy	3	6
Gagne, Alphonse, Northumberland, Drunk	0	3
Gaudette, Eddie, Northumberland, Drunk	3	6
Gaudette, Eddie, Northumberland, Drunk	3	6
Harding, Benjamin, Northumberland, Vagrancy	3	6
Haynes, Harry E., Northumberland, V. M. V. L.	3	6
King, Ralph, Northumberland, Adultery	24	1
Matteau, Conrad, Northumberland, V. M. V. L.	5	0
McLean, Harris A., Northumberland, Vagrancy	4	1
Pollard, Irvin Fred, Northumberland, Lewdness	12	1
Portigue, Nelson, Northumberland, Allows Dogs to Run Deer	7	5
Riff, Albert W., Northumberland, Non-Support	15	2
Riff, Albert W., Northumberland, Violating Motor Ve- hicle Law	1	2
Riff, Mary, Northumberland, Neglect of Children	12	1
Webster, Elliott, Northumberland, Vagrancy	4	1
Hebert, Gerard, Stewartstown, V. M. V. L.	0	1
Kane, Earle Thomas, Stewartstown, Vagrancy	1	1
Kokoloff, Alex, Stewartstown, Drunk	3	6
Leclerc, Edward, Stewartstown, Non Support	23	6
Litanovich, Mike, Stewartstown, Drunk	7	5
Osgoode, William L., Stewartstown, V. M. V. L.	7	5
Stone, Elmer, Stewartstown, Absconding	12	6

Baldwin, Ralph, Whitefield, V. M. V. L.	7	5
Dobson, Frederick, Whitefield, Non-Support	26	1
Dunkinson, Fred, Whitefield, Neglect of Self	1	4
Emery, Malcolm, Whitefield, Drunk	3	6
MacDonald, Albert, Whitefield, Drunk	5	2

FROM SUPERIOR COURT

Doyon, Ludger, Berlin, Aggravated Assault	24	1
Davis, Austin, Colebrook, Rape	32	6
Gadwah, Elmer, Colebrook, Unnatural and Lascivious Acts	28	6
Pierce, Eric, Dalton, Lascivious Act	14	1
Williams, Graydon, Groveton, Rape	32	6
Bedard, Noel, North Stratford, Felonious Assault	9	0
Stone, Elmer, North Stratford, Rape	31	5
Leclerc, Jos. Leo, Northumberland, Breaking and Entering	23	4
Merrick, Richard, Northumberland, Larceny	21	0

PRISONERS IN COOS COUNTY JAIL

During the Year 1955

Name	Address	Sentence	Weeks	Days
Blake, Gordon, Berlin, Held for Superior Court			9	1
Buteau, Gerard, Berlin, Held for Superior Court			5	3
Tripp, Raymond, Berlin, Held for Superior Court			9	5
Turgeon, Philip, Berlin, Held for Superior Court			6	2
Valley, Joseph, Berlin, Held for Superior Court			13	5
Voisine, Raymond, Berlin, Contempt of Court			20	5
Voisine, Raymond, Berlin, Contempt of Court				1
Anderson, Barney, Colebrook, Safe Keeping			0	1
Bean, Albert, Colebrook, Held for Police Court			0	3
Bergeron, Jean, Colebrook, Held for Police Court			0	1
Boisvert, Maurice, Colebrook, Held for Police Court			0	1
Boisvert, Roger, Colebrook, Held for Police Court			0	1
Bolduc, Gerard, Colebrook, Held for Superior Court			6	4
Brousseau, Tancrede, Colebrook, Held for Police Court			0	1
Burns, Leroy, Colebrook, Held for Police Court			0	1
Cantin, Rouel, Colebrook, Held for Police Court			0	1
Covill, Reginald, Colebrook, Held for Police Court			0	1
Davis, Austin, Colebrook, Held for Superior Court			1	0
Davis, Richard, Colebrook, Held for Police Court				1
Elliott, Royal, Colebrook, Held for Police Court			0	1
Gadwah, Elmer, Colebrook, Held for Superior Court			1	0

Gadwah, Elmer, Colebrook, Held for Superior Court	1	0
Goodwin, Merl, Colebrook, Held for Police Court	0	2
Hartshorn, Lawrence, Colebrook, Held for Police Court	0	1
Hebert, Anseline, Colebrook, Held for Police Court	0	1
Impey, Keith, Colebrook, Held for Police Court	0	2
Lawton, James, Colebrook, Held for Police Court	0	2
Lawton, James, Colebrook, Held for Police Court	0	1
McCarthetty, Mary (Pickett), Colebrook, Held for Safe Keeping	0	3
Neil, Arthur, Colebrook, Held for Police Court	0	1
Pomerleau, Victor, Colebrook, Held for Police Court	0	1
Potter, Lawrence, Colebrook, Held for Police Court	0	1
Roby, Donald, Colebrook, Held for Police Court	0	1
Shallow, Philip, Colebrook, Held for Police Court	0	1
Shallow, Philip, Colebrook, Held for Police Court	0	2
Smith, Richard, Colebrook, Safe Keeping	0	2
West, Jerold, Colebrook, Held for Police Court	0	1
Whiting, Richard, Colebrook, Held for Police Court	0	1
Jackson, Phoebe, Columbia, Safe Keeping	0	3
Hickey, Albert, Lancaster, Disturbing the Peace	4	3
Hill, Calvin J., Lancaster, Held for Superior Court	1	6
Leclair, Leo J., Lancaster, Held for Superior Court	1	6
Allen, Vergil, Northumberland, Held for Superior Court	1	1
Gray, Warren, Northumberland, Held for Superior Court	0	4
Martin, Robert Louis, Northumberland, Held for Superior Court	4	2
Sweet, William, Northumberland, Held for Police Court	0	3
Williams, Graydon, Northumberland, Held for Superior Court	2	0
Burrill, Alton, Pittsburg, Held for Police Court	0	1
Lizotte, Camille, Pittsburg, Held for Police Court	0	1
Brown, William, Stewartstown, Lodging	0	1
Desrochers, Sylvio, Stewartstown, Held for Police Court	0	1
Duquette, Aime, Stewartstown, Held for Police Court	0	2
Gaulin, Gerard, Stewartstown, Held for Police Court	0	1
Hebert, Gerard, Stewartstown, Held for Police Court	0	1
Hyde, William J., Stewartstown, Lodging	0	1
Kane, Earle, Stewartstown, Held for Police Court	0	1
Landry, Joseph, Stewartstown, Lodging	0	1
Leclerc, Edward, Stewartstown, Held for Police Court	0	1
Lizotte, Camille, Stewartstown, Held for Police Court	0	1
Lundy, William, Stewartstown, Lodging	0	1
Sweet, William, Stewartstown, Held for Superior Court	5	3
King, Ralph S., Stratford, Held for Police Court	0	1

Lyon, Melvin, Stratford, Held for Superior Court	0	1
Riff, Albert, Stratford, Held for Police Court	0	3
Forbes, Marion, Whitefield, Held for Safe Keeping	0	2
Gagnon, Joseph, Whitefield, Held for Superior Court	1	3

IMMIGRATION AND ARMY

Coeuette, Henry Held for Immigration	0	3
King, William J., Jr., AWOL	0	2
Moreau, Joseph, AWOL	0	1
Hildreth, Herman, Stafford Co., Sheriff's Office, Safe Keeping	0	1

SUPERIOR COURT

Bolduc, Gerard, Bad Check	7	5
Boutin, Marcel, Stealing, Breaking, Entering	11	2
Lizotte, Camille, Safe Keeping	0	1
Merrick, Richard, Breaking and Entering	30	4
Merrick, Breaking and Entering	30	4
Stone, Elmer, Breaking and Entering	1	1

Chaplain's Report

West Stewartstown, N. H.
December 24, 1955

Officials of Coos County Farm and Jail,
West Stewartstown, N. H.

Dear Sirs:

In behalf of my Predecessor, the Rev. W. J. Bowers, and the members of the Gospel Church, I, the present Pastor, would like to convey our heartfelt appreciation to the County Home for permitting us to preach the precious Gospel of our Lord in both the Hospital and Jail during this out-going year of 1955. We trust that our listening audience have enjoyed it and benefitted by it. At the same time we are looking forward to another fruitful year of ministry with you, and therefore do very cordially extend our invitation to all, both the ones in charge and occupants of the Hospital and Jail.

Sincerely,

Rev. MARK HOUSEMAN,

Pastor of Gospel Church.

Report of Clerk of Superior Court

COOS, ss.

SUPERIOR COURT

January 1, 1955 to December 31, 1955

Charges Against County

1. Fees chargeable to County Mittimuscs, capiases, etc.,	\$ 21.00
Certificates to Registrar of Vital Statistics, Probate Court, etc.	45.00
(32) State entries @ 30c	9.60
2. Permanent Records	339.70
3. Miscellaneous Cash Disbursements	206.69
4. Commissioner of Motor Vehicles	
Fine: State vs. Albert Robichaud	10.00
New Hampshire Fish & Game Dept.	
Fine: State vs. Delphis Hamel	100.00
Fine: State vs. Francis Day	100.00
5. Allowance for Clerk and Clerical Hire	8,345.60
6. Paid County (March 31, 1955, settlement) (Check No. 792)	40.16
7. Paid County (September 30, 1955, settlement) Check No. 843	7.85
8. Paid County (December 31, 1955, settlement) Check No. 873	124.50
Total Charges	\$9,350.10

Credits to County

1. Entries	
(90) Equity @ 90c	\$ 81.00
(183) Civil @ 90c	164.70
(5) Criminal Appeals @ 90c	4.50
2. Fines	
State vs. Delphis Hamel	100.00
State vs. Francis Day	100.00
State vs. Albert Robichaud	85.00
3. Sale of Dockets	54.00
4. Sales of Rules	None
5. Fees chargeable to County	75.60
Total Credits	\$664.80

January 31, 1955, County Order No. 3340	695.70
February 28, 1955, County Order No. 3349	686.80
March 31, 1955, County Order No. 3354	519.00
April 30, 1955, County Order No. 3361	753.60
May 31, 1955, County Order No. 3368	703.40
June 30, 1955, County Order No. 3388	707.70
July 31, 1955, County Order No. 3392	786.20
August 31, 1955, County Order No. 3395	972.20
September 30, 1955, County Order No. 3403	734.80
October 31, 1955, County Order No. 3412	671.60
November 30, 1955, County Order No. 3416	699.20
December 30, 1955, County Order No. 3431	755.10
	<hr/> \$9,350.10

Respectfully submitted,

Robert C. Rich

Clerk of Superior Court

Solicitor's Report

December 31, 1955

TO THE COMMISSIONERS OF COOS COUNTY:

Herewith is my report as Solicitor for the County of Coos for the year 1955.

The following cases have been disposed of in Superior Court during the past year:

APRIL TERM

BOLDUC, Gerard—Berlin

Indictment: Larceny by check.

Plea: Guilty.

Sentenced to serve two months in County Jail and committed.

BOURBEAU, Robert J.—Berlin

Action under uniform reciprocal support act.

BOUTIN, Marcel—Berlin

Arraigned on waiver of indictment.

Charge: Breaking and entering in the night time (two counts).

Plea: Guilty on both counts.

Sentenced to County Jail for three months and committed; second count continued for sentence with probation for three years.

BOUTIN, Maurice—Berlin

Arraigned on waiver of indictment.

Charge: Breaking and entering in the night time.

Plea: Guilty.

Case continued for sentence: placed on probation for a period of two years.

BOUTIN, Raymond—Berlin

Arraigned on waiver of indictment.

Charge: Breaking and entering in the night time.

Plea: Guilty.

Case continued for sentence: placed on probation for a period of three years.

BRUNELLE, John—Berlin

Action under uniform reciprocal support act.

DALEY, Joseph P.—Berlin

Action under uniform reciprocal support act.

DAVIS, Austin—Colebrook

Arraigned on waiver of indictment.

Charge: Statutory rape.

Plea: Guilty.

Sentenced to serve one year in the House of Correction and stand committed.

DAY, Francis—Milan

Appeal from Northumberland Municipal Court.

Charge: Illegal night hunting.

Plea: Not guilty.

Trial by jury and found guilty.

Fine: \$100.00; forfeiture of 1950 Mercury automobile sustained; \$200.00 accepted by Department of Fish and Game in lieu of motor vehicle.

GADWAH, Elmer—Colebrook

Arraigned on indictment.

Charge: Unnatural act.

Plea: Guilty.

Sentenced to serve one year in the House of Correction and stand committed.

HAMEL, Delphis—Milan

Appeal from Northumberland Municipal Court.

Charge: Illegal night hunting.

Plea: Not guilty.

Trial by jury and found guilty.

Fine: \$100.00; rifle declared forfeited.

HILL, Calvin—Conway

Arraigned on indictment.

Charge: Breaking and entering and larceny in the night time.

Plea: Guilty.

Case continued for sentence: respondent returned to State Prison for violating parole.

LABBE, Milton—Berlin

Arraigned on waiver of indictment.

Charge: Breaking and entering and larceny in the night time (two counts).

Plea: Guilty to both counts.

Both counts continued for sentence and respondent placed on probation for a period of one year on each count.

LeCLAIRE, Joseph Leo—Northumberland

Arraigned on indictments.

Charge: Breaking and entering and larceny in the night time (two counts).

Plea: Guilty to both counts.

Sentenced to serve six months in the House of Correction and stand committed: second count continued for sentence and respondent placed on probation for a period of four years.

MERRICK, Richard—Northumberland

Arraigned on indictments.

Charge: Breaking and entering in the night time (three counts).

Plea: Guilty to all counts.

Sentenced to serve nine months in the County Jail and stand committed; two counts continued for sentence.

NOURY, Ida—Manchester

Appeal from Stewartstown Municipal Court.

Charge: Violation of fish and game law.

Plea: Not guilty.

Complaint dismissed by order of the Superior Court.

NOURY, Joseph—Manchester

Appeal from Stewartstown Municipal Court.

Charge: Violation of fish and game law

Plea: Not guilty.

Trial by jury and found not guilty.

OUELLET, Lucien—Berlin

Arraigned on waiver of indictment.

Charge: Breaking and entering and larceny in the night time.

Plea: Guilty.

Sentenced to serve not less than one year and a day and not more than five years in State Prison and stand committed.

STONE, Elmer—Northumberland

Arraigned on indictments.

Charge: Breaking and entering and larceny in the night time (two counts).

Plea: Guilty to both counts.

Sentenced to serve two months in County Jail on the first count; the second count continued for sentence.

SWEET, William J.—Island Pond, Vermont.

Arraigned on waiver of indictment.

Charge: Larceny.

Plea: Guilty.

Case continued for sentence, respondent placed on probation for three years.

TRIPP, Raymond—South Paris, Maine

Arraigned on indictment.

Charge: Breaking and entering in the night time with intent to commit larceny.

Plea: Guilty.

Placed on probation for a period of three years.

VALLEY, Joseph—Berlin

Arraigned on indictment.

Charge: Larceny.

Plea: Guilty.

Restitution ordered: respondent placed on probation for a period of two years; case continued for sentence.

WILLIAMS, Graydon—Northumberland

Arraigned on waiver of indictment.

Charge: Statutory rape.

Plea: Guilty.

Sentenced to serve one year in the House of Correction and stand committed.

OCTOBER TERM

BARNES, Carl H.—Lancaster

Appeal from Lancaster Municipal Court.

Charge: Driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor.

Appeal dismissed and case remanded to Lancaster Municipal Court for disposal under original order of that court.

BOUCHARD, Leo—Berlin

Arraigned on indictment.

Charge: Leaving the scene of an accident.

Plea: Nolo.

Fine: \$800.00.

GAGNON, Joseph—Berlin

Arraigned on waiver of indictment.

Charge: Larceny.

Plea: Guilty.

Sentenced to serve not less than one year and a day and not more than three years in State Prison and committed.

MARTIN, Robert Louis—Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Arraigned on waivers of indictment.

Charge: Breaking and entering and larceny in the night time (three counts).

Plea: Guilty to all counts.

Sentenced to serve not less than three years and not more than four years in State Prison and committed: second and third counts continued for sentence.

MEALEY, Richard, Jr.—Gorham

Indictment: Leaving the scene of an accident.

Plea: Not guilty.

Trial by jury and found guilty.

Fine: \$350.00.

ROBICHAUD, Albert—Berlin

Appeal from Berlin Municipal Court.

Charge: Driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor

Charge: Driving without a license.

Plea: Guilty to driving without a license and reckless driving

Fine: \$85.00.

ANCOURT, William—Lancaster

Action under uniform reciprocal support act.

It should be noted that the more serious crimes were disposed of by pleas of guilty and did not require the expense of jury trials; the credit for this saving is due largely to the State Police in this County who did such thorough investigating before charges were brought. It is also pleasant to note that juvenile delinquency was almost non existent during this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Arnold P. Hanson

Coos County Solicitor

Sheriff's Report

To the Commissioners of Coos County:

As Sheriff of Coos County, I herewith submit the Annual Report of Court Expenditures of the Department for the calendar year ending December 31, 1955:

April Term 1954 Superior Court at Lancaster:

June 21, 1955

Alonzo N. LaBonte—travel and attendance at Court	\$716.15
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June 25, 1955

Alonzo N. LaBonte—travel and attendance at Court	63.26
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E. J. Dickey	407.70
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Armand Aubin	768.60
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Hilda Oleson	70.00
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Harry Labar	16.00
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	\$2,041.71
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December Term 1955 Superior Court held at Berlin:

December 20, 1955

Alonzo N. LaBonte—travel and attendance at Court	\$597.25
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December 21, 1955

Alonzo N. LaBonte—travel and attendance at Court	220.50
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E. L. Boswell	852.86
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E. J. Dickey	185.20
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Hilda K. Oleson	60.00
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Harry Labar	48.40
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Armand Aubin	825.25
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Ernest Craggy	11.00
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	\$2,800.46
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At this time, I wish to extend my sincere thanks to all the law enforcement officers, State, County, and Local, who have assisted **me** in all criminal investigations, and for their sincere help in the apprehension of all violators of the law.

Respectfully submitted,

Alonzo N. LaBonte

Sheriff

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